

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1-8, 10-20, and 22-25, and add new claims 26-27 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A method, ~~in a communication system wherein a subscription is associated with a plurality of public and private identities, the method comprising:~~

~~storing in a user information storage information regarding relationships between the a plurality of public and private identities associated with a subscription and of a control entity in which at least one of the identities is registered;~~

~~allocating the control entity to a further registration based on the stored information stored in the user information storage; and~~

~~recognizing at the user information storage that different private identities are associated with a common service profile.~~

2. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

~~receiving a querying by from a further control entity for a registration status of a user from the user information storage; and~~

~~responding to the query by returning routing information configured to enable which enables routing of a registration request to the control entity.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the ~~querying comprises querying by the further control entity which query~~ comprises an interrogating call state control function and the control entity comprises a servicing call state control function.

4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein ~~the responding comprises responding to the query by returning the routing information which enables routing to the control entity and~~ comprises a name of the control entity.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein ~~the responding comprises responding to the query by returning the routing information which enables routing to the control entity and~~ comprises an address of the control entity.

6. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the control entity comprise a plurality of control entities, and wherein the allocating further comprises ~~ing: selecting at the user information storage one of the plurality of the control entityies to be allocated for the further registration.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

recognizing at the user information storage that the a user has an existing registration.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

recognizing at the user information storage that different private identities associated with a common public identity are associated with a subscription.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

recognizing at the user information storage that different private identities are associated with a common subscription.

11. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim ~~126~~<sup>126</sup>, wherein the ~~storing~~ comprises storing in the user information storage which comprises a home subscriber server.

12. (Currently Amended) A ~~communication~~-system, comprising:

a plurality of control entities;

a user information storage configured to store information of relationships between public and private identities associated with users of a communication system and of a control entity in which at least one of the public and private identities is registered;

an allocating unit configured to allocate a call control entity to a further registration associated with a user based on the information stored in the user information storage; and

a recognizing unit configured to recognize at the user information storage that different private identities associate with a common service profile.

13. (Currently Amended) ~~An apparatus, A user information storage entity for a communication system, the user information storage entity comprising:~~

a storing unit configured to store information of relationships between public and private identities associated with users of a communication system and of a control entity in which at least one of the public and private identities is registered;

an allocating unit configured to allocate the call control entity to a further registration associated with a user based on the information stored in the user information storage; and

a recognizing unit configured to recognize at the user information storage that two or more of different private identities are associated with a common service profile.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

~~a transceiver configured to receive a querying unit configured to query by a further control entity for a registration status of a user from the user information storage; and a responding unit configured to respond to a query by returning routing information which enables routing of a registration request to the control entity.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 14, wherein ~~the querying unit queries by using~~ the further control entity which comprises an interrogating call state control function and the control entity comprises a servicing call state control function.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 14, wherein ~~the responding unit is configured to respond to the query by returning~~ the routing information which enables routing to the control entity and comprises a name of the control entity.

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 14, wherein ~~the responding unit responds to the query by returning~~ the routing information which enables routing to the control entity and comprises an address of the control entity.

18. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 13, wherein the control entity comprises a plurality of control entities, and wherein the apparatus further comprises:

a selecting unit configured to select ~~at the user information storage~~ one of the plurality of the control entities ~~entity~~ to be allocated for the further registration.

19. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus user information storage entity~~ as claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

a recognizing unit configured to recognize ~~at the user information storage~~ that the user has an existing registration.

20. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

a recognizing unit configured to recognize ~~at the user information storage~~ that different private identities associated with a common public identity are associated with a subscription.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

a recognizing unit configured to recognize at the ~~user information storage~~ that different private identities associate with a common subscription.

23. (Currently Amended) The ~~user information storage entity~~ apparatus as claimed in claim 13, wherein the storing unit is configured to store the information in a user information storage which comprises a home subscriber server.

24. (Currently Amended) A ~~communication~~ system, comprising:  
a plurality of control entities;  
user information storage means for storing information of relationships between public and private identities associated with users of a communication system and of a control entity in which at least one of the public and private identities is registered;

allocating means for allocating a call control entity to a further registration associated with a user based on the information stored in the user information storage means; and

recognizing means for recognizing at the user information storage that different private identities associate with a common service profile.

25. (Currently Amended) A ~~user information storage entity~~ An apparatus for a communication system, the user information storage entity comprising:

storing means for storing information of relationships between public and private identities associated with users of a communication system and of a control entity in which at least one of the public and private identities is registered;

allocating means for allocating the call control entity to a further registration associated with a user based on the information stored in the user information storage; and

recognizing means for recognizing at the user information storage that different private identities associate with a common service profile.

26. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed by a user information storage.

27. (New) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium configured to control a processor to perform:

storing information regarding relationships between a plurality of public and private identities associated with a subscription and a control entity in which at least one of the identities is registered;

allocating the control entity to a further registration based on the stored information; and

recognizing that different private identities are associated with a common service profile.